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"Breathes there a man with soul so dead, who never to himself hath said—"EMPRESS'"

## Christmas Tree, Thursday, Dec. 23

Thursday evening will be a jolly time at the Grand Theatre. It is Christmas Tree Night. The boys and girls of the Sunday School will render a bright and attractive programme. They are being carefully prepared by Mrs. Haggins, Mrs. McArthur, Mrs. Sexton and Miss Roudel. The numbers will run along the lines of drills, songs, readings and a cantata. This last will be crowded with musical numbers. The admission will be set low in order to insure a good crowd. This does not mean a low grade entertainment; it is well-known that committees working from the Union Church have made a rule of a low admission fee, but always a good program. Let everybody come and be young again. There is no other season like Christmas. The program will commence at 7:30 p.m.

## THE BALKANS Greek Situation Clearer

The Entente diplomats are satisfied that Greece is seeking a solution of the problem of the Allies' use of Salonika. This country states herself ready to make every concession to the Allies not incompatible with her sovereignty and the neutrality of the country. The British and French troops have carried out their retirement from Serbia across the Greek frontier and by arrangement with the Greek Government, a clear road has been left for them to fall back on Salonika, which is now being organized as a base. Here, under the defence of the guns of their ships, the Allies will await reinforcements.

The cause of the Allies' misfortunes in the Balkans has been given as late arrival; too few men; inadequate transports for a country of such topography; Greece's failure to respond to the expectation of the Allies; the retreat of the Serbian Army Westward, instead of toward Salonika, where the Allies would have joined them.

## Found No Depression

### Among the Allies.

The "Berliner Tageblatt," referring to a series of articles entitled "Through France and England," by Dr. Hans Vorst, states that the author is qualified as being German by descent although not by nationality. The writer's impression in England during a visit recently paid was that the public was well informed by the press. He expressed astonishment at the considerable proportion of the truth which the British can bear.

Arriving in France he expected to find depression reigning, but confesses that he was mistaken. When the great offensive commenced, he asked various Frenchmen, "What of it when you do not succeed in breaking through the German positions?" They replied, "Then we will wait until next time."—Central News.

## At the Grand Theatre Saturday.

Don't miss the show on Saturday night at the Grand Theatre. The sensational drama entitled "The Hahn-Arplane Race for a Fortune" will be presented; also the Gaumont Weekly, a two reel comedy and "A Dog's Love."

## Japan's Declaration

The relation in which Japan has placed herself with the European Allies, has struck a fresh blow to the disseminators of "peace talk,"—by the action she has made to the agreement of England, France and Russia regarding the terms of peace. The Declaration pledges the signatories not only to refuse the conclusion of a separate peace, but also to abstain, when measures to be discussed, from demanding any concessions without the previous consent of all the others. It constitutes the firmest possible guarantee that they will make war and peace with perfect unanimity. Such, it need hardly be said, is the action which the intrigues of German agents must dash in vain. Japan, when invited to join with the agreement, replied that her adherence was full and complete. For her to have said otherwise would have been tantamount to a repudiation of her attitude. Britain and Japan have been in close alliance for thirteen years, and on the outbreak of the war, Japan recognized the obligations with chivalrous frankness. She destroyed Kiaochow, the base which Germany had been preparing for years as the center for her political and military operations in the far East; she safeguarded our interests in the far Eastern waters, and she helped the British navy to the victory of the Falkland Islands, by her skillful and unswerving support of the British fleet. When Russia suffered most from want of munitions, Japan lavishly supplied her needs. Her arsenal worked night and day, at a higher pressure, it is said, than during the Manchurian contest.

The question might be raised: "What more could Japan have done and why ask for her signature to this agreement?" The answer is, that although Japan had been an active and useful partner in the Alliance from the first, she was not, technically, a member of that coalition. Now she takes her place with it on the express invitation of the other partners, and upon equal terms with them. That may not make any general appreciable change, but it clears up her legal position and it casts her full word weight upon the side of the Allies. Now, for the first time, she becomes a member of a great coalition of the historic powers of Europe. She takes out her full citizenship amongst the progressive communities of the world.

Messrs. G. V. Ouly and L. J. Crow, who were amongst the earliest of the settlers in the Castle County district, departed on Wednesday, on a trip to their former homes in the United States. Both these men have been very successful in their farming this year, having crops of wheat which yielded over 45 bushels to the acre and graded No. 1 Northern, and crops of oats which averaged over 100 bushels to the acre. Mr. Ouly owns a threshing machine. His place has three hundred bushels of grain this fall, wheat yielded a general average of over 40 bushels an acre. Mr. Crow was separator man for Mr. Ouly.

Good progress is being made with the new ice-skiing rink. With the fine weather now prevailing, prospects for good hockey and ice-skiing look exceptionally bright. It is expected that the rink will be open to the general public within a few days.

The Alberta Pacific Elevator Co. elevator and the Laker of the Woods Milling Co. elevator at Empress, will close for Christmas week from Wednesday, Dec. 22 until Monday, Dec. 27.

## Belligerent Nations

### ENGLAND

England received its name in a general council held in 829, A.D. England and Wales were united in 1284, and Scotland was added in 1603. The whole was called the United Kingdom. The British Empire has a population of approximately 341,000,000. It is the largest empire in the world, extending into every zone and climate, comprising more than a sixth part of the globe.

### FRANCE

France contains 201,000 square miles, and has a population of 39,000,000 people. In 1870, war broke out between Germany and France; the battle of Sedan decided the war in favor of the former. The Germans marched into Paris in 1872. The provinces of Alsace and Lorraine, a battle-ground of the present war, were given back to Germany. France was conquered by the Germans, a German people of France in Germany where they had been known in 240.

The President of France is elected for seven years, by the senate and the Chamber of Deputies united in Congress.

### RUSSIA

Russia is the largest country in the world. Its inhabitants number 129,000,000. The government is an absolute monarchy, the will of the czar alone is law. The territory comprises all Northern Europe and Northern Asia. Its important events are: dismemberment of Poland, 1772-93; and 75 Napoleon war, 1812. Czarism was, 1853-55, sale of Alaska to America, 1867; Turkish War in 1878, and the Japanese War, 1905.

### BELGIUM

Belgium is about one-eighth the size of Great Britain, and is one of the most densely populated of the world's countries. The country used to belong to Holland, but in 1831 they elected their own king. The Dutch made war on them, but by the interference of foreign powers, were induced to desist from their hostility. Belgium has been the field of many important battles, and is probably the grave of more soldiers than lie buried in any other country.

### GERMANY

Germany was at one time a group of independent states. The Romans at one time invaded these States, but were expelled before 300 A.D. In the fifth century the Huns and other Eastern tribes overran the territory. In 800 A.D. Charlemagne conquered the Saxons and other eastern tribes and was crowned Emperor of Germany. The country next passed into the hands of the Hapsburgs, who held it for centuries. In 1872, following the war with France, Germany concluded a confederation between several small Duchies. William I was proclaimed Emperor. He died in 1888 and was succeeded by Frederick William, the present Emperor.

### AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

This territory was annexed to the Roman Empire about 23 A.D. In 1156 it was made a duchy. Rudolph, Count of Hapsburg and Emperor of Germany, acquired Austria in 1278. In 1891 the Austrian duchy had assumed such strength, that

Emperor Francis II. renounced the title of Emperor. The Empire named the Austria-Hungary monarchy in 1868. It is now divided into two parts separated by the River Leitha.

### British Columbia's Timber.

British Columbia is in the timber growing business on an immense scale. Careful investigation by the Provincial Forestry Service shows that the province has over 100,000,000 acres of land not suited for agriculture, but splendidly adapted for growing the best of timber. The government has, therefore, planned to raise timber perpetually on this land. After all a tree is nothing more or less than a vegetable which requires many years instead of one to ripen, and a forest is only a kind of crop that takes a century to grow. With so much land covered by forests, and with lumbering already its greatest industry, it is not strange that British Columbia should be the first province to adopt systematic timber farming. A government department charged with carrying out this work was established in 1912. The forests were protected against destruction by fire, while revenue collection, the selling and sealing of timber, the prevention of trespass and inspection of logging operations to reduce waste were thoroughly organized.

An inventory of the forests of the entire province was also commenced, in order to find out how much timber could be cut each year without injuring the forest. The investigation showed that the province contained 100,000,000 acres of forest land, and about 400 billion feet of merchantable timber. The forests, moreover, are producing annually about 5 billion feet of new timber. Since the present only a billion and a half feet are cut each year it is evident that the harvest can safely be increased by several times over; that in fact, an immense amount of timber is now being wasted.

It is estimated that exactly as if the farmers on the prairies could find a market for only a third of their wheat crop.

A knowledge of these facts showed the British Columbia Government that it must obtain markets for its complete wheat crop. After studying the timber markets of the world, the government is now taking steps to increase its trade in lumber with the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand, South Africa and other countries which have not enough timber of their own. The prairie provinces, however, are the largest market for British Columbia forest products. The British Columbia government is now working to develop this market to the full. To give the best possible service to prairie farmers, who are among the largest consumers of B.C. lumber, the Government has prepared in cooperation with the University of Saskatchewan, a series of bulletins on farm buildings, which are designed to make it as easy as possible for the farmer to erect his buildings. Similar measures are being adopted in Eastern Canada, where there is a good market for heavy timber and high grade lumber products from B.C. By establishing a commercial service in every part of the province, and by systematic publicity work, British Columbia

## Tighter Reins on Merchant Shipping

The regulation of merchant shipping is one of constant difficulty to England. The latest Act requires an inquiry into the full ownership of the vessels, in order to prevent assistance being secretly given to the enemy. A particular instance which illustrates the necessity of such a law is that of Herr Jensen and his fleet. This man was at the beginning of the war, a coal merchant in Copenhagen, and owner of a few steamers. A number of companies in which he was interested became the owners of a fleet of steamships. One of these carrying a Danish flag, was detained in Liverpool, in May, 1914, the United States Commissioner reported that Jensen was receiving money from Sweden, a German, and with this was buying steamers. During the process of the purchase, Jensen was put in prison by a Danish court, for running contraband copper into Germany. Owing to the alertness of the American authorities, Jensen's ships were now without a flag and could not trade at sea. This particular attempt of the German thus failed; but there has been reason to believe that others of a like kind were successful, and that many vessels wholly or partly owned by Germans, have been trading comfortably under neutral flags. It has even been reported that some of them have been "seized" by the Germans, taken into German ports, had their cargoes "seized" and then been released to perform the performance.

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### Germans Found Guilty

The jury of the United States District Court has returned a verdict of guilty against four officials of the German Embassy in London. They were charged with conspiracy to deceive and defraud the United States Government, by obtaining clearances for relief ships laden with coal and other supplies, sailing from American ports for German cruisers, early in the war.

### Joffre Is Commander

General Joffre has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of all the French armies, except those in North Africa, including 35 Moroccan and dependent military colonies.

### Features of Good Bread.

The bread-maker may consider her bread well-made if it has the following features: Lightness, both in weight and in appearance; of the interior; moisture evenly raised throughout; a "nutty" flavor, the natural sweetness of the grain, and not the sweetness of sugar; a pleasant odor, free from traces of sourness, mould, or putrefaction; the crumb of an even, and fine grain, creamy white in color, tender and elastic enough to spring back under the pressure of the finger; the crust evenly browned top bottom and sides. —Harold Elchert.

### English Church, Christmas Day

Holy Communion at 8:30 a.m. and at 11 a.m. o'clock with sermon.

## Leland Holds Patriotic Meeting

A patriotic meeting was held at Leland on Tuesday evening. The object was the organization of a Working Fund Committee for that district. Messrs. McEachern, Sutherland, Haggins and Waggett attended from Empress. Addresses were given by Messrs. McEachern and Waggett, and songs were sung by Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Haggins whose generosity in affairs public is always without restriction, placed a car at the disposal of the Empresians, and accompanied as driver.

A committee was formed to canvass the district between Social Plains and Empress, for the Patriotic Fund.

## Canada's Army

A report from Ottawa gives Canada with 180,000 men in uniform, and of these, Alberta has raised 17,000 men. Up to Oct. 30, a total of 90,581 have been sent overseas.

## Money Borrowed By Belligerents

The total borrowings of the nations at war have reached \$19,222,079,000. This is more than the total direct cost of all the European wars that have occurred during the last 125 years. The German debt has increased relatively more than that of any of the other belligerents. It had assumed large proportions before the conflict commenced—from the cost of preparation. In 1877, five years after the Franco-Prussian war, the national debt amounted to \$18,000,000. But at the end of 1913 it amounted to \$21,400,000. Within the period named, it had climbed from 41 cents per capita, to \$18.72.

During the same time the debt of Britain was in the opposite direction. In 1877, her debt per capita was \$115.45 and in 1913, \$77.79.

During the war Germany has borrowed \$8,415,000,000. Great Britain, because of its leading the front of the Allies, has been the largest borrower. She has taken from the world's market, \$5,730,000,000.

Further enormous borrowings are in prospect, not only to finish the war but to take up the work of rehabilitation when the grim task has been completed. It makes a gloomy picture. But there is another side. When we tell of the increase in real wages which must inevitably come with increased productivity. Prior to the present campaign, the most costly in history was that which England waged in the Napoleonic wars, from 1793 to 1911. The total cost of the 25 years of warfare amounted to \$6,250,000,000. The Franco-Prussian war cost France \$2,750,000,000.

Next to the Napoleonic wars, was the American civil war. The total expenditures of these wars were estimated at \$5,000,000,000.







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## THE CHRISTMAS ATMOSPHERE.

Among all evenings in the year, and all the days, there is no other evening like the Christmas eve, no other day like Christmas day. Whether the eve and the day be dark and stormy, or still and fair, does not matter. The difference is not in the weather or the season, but in that more subtle atmosphere, which from generation to generation through all the centuries has been our inheritance from that first Christmas eve, and a day when a new born babe sent its wailing cry through the manger at Bethlehem.

The world looks different through this Christmas atmosphere. However festive or dull the occasion, however gray or gloomy the streets may be, whatever may be our surroundings, the Christmas feeling is there. No one may say just wherein it lies. It is like an unseen halo that glorifies and makes holy every good thought and impulse, while it reveals in darker relief whatever is tragic, unworthy, or vicious. A great disaster on Christmas eve or day shocks us as it does at no other season; a great joy comes in that sweet rainment of gladness that only Christmas brings. Through nineteen centuries has this light lingered around the hearts of men, and through all these ages it has not grown dim. Year after year slips by and is added to the past. But with each Christmas eve and day our homes and our highways are once more filled with the old, sweet joy—that halo from that star which rose over Bethlehem.

## AGRICULTURE IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

"It should not be necessary in this day to offer any reason for giving agriculture a place in the public schools, but nevertheless the necessity exists, and because of this condition we must give justification for the faith that is in us. Two reasons will suffice. Agricultural education should begin in the Public School because that is the most logical place to begin all education. They generally call it nature study in the lower grades and elementary agriculture in the last two grades, and they may call it almost what they like so long as they give it a place commensurate with the importance of our paramount profession. Oh, yes, a girl teacher may not teach much scientific agriculture, but it is not the sum total of agricultural facts taught that counts—it is the trend of mind induced in the pupil. Develop his interest in and his respect for the profession of his father and when he is older he will not depart from it. In the name of common sense, then, do not talk as though the young girl teacher were trying to teach agriculture to the whole district. Her business is with the school and she knows her business much better than most self-constituted critics can teach it to her. Just acquire a smile and help that girl teacher when she wants a school garden and you will have the privilege of helping in one of the most responsible works in the world. Then, too, this agriculture in the public schools is the surest means to check the much deplored drift to the cities. When the boy sees farming receive its proper recognition in his school, when he feels that it is not necessary to leave the farm to rise in the world, he will be less apt to join the ranks of those who move towards the bright lights. This "back to the land" cry is alright so far as it goes but not many will come back, unless a too prolonged diet of husks may send them back to see how chances are for the fattened calf. Let us try to hold the lads, yes, and the lasses too, who are now known only as public school pupils."—Address by Dean Howes.

In theory, the exchange of New Year calls and Christmas gifts is a beautiful custom. The holidays is a time when kindly feelings and universal good will prompt a general manifestation of regard in the exchange of calls and presents. It is the friendship expressed in the fact that it is valued. The cause and not the effect occasions the pleasure. All look forward to the happy holiday times when each is glad, and, in turn, makes others glad by tokens of honest regard and friendly feeling. The world fairly beams with good cheer.

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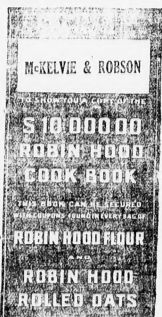
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Puff Rice .... 7 packages \$1  
Krinkle Corn Flakes .... 3 packages 25c.  
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Shredded Wheat .... 2 packages 25c.

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Roller Oats .... 8lb. bags 35c.  
Rolled Oats .... 20lb. bags 75c.  
Puff Wheat .... 4 pack. 45c.  
Wheatlets, 10lb. sack .... per sack 40c.  
Corn Meal .... 10lb. sack 40c.  
Buckwheat Flour .... 10lb. bag 40c.  
Gold Seal Milk .... 7 tins for \$1  
St. Charles Milk, large size .... 25c.  
St. Charles Milk, 20oz. size .... 2 for 25c.  
St. Charles Milk, family size, 48 tins, per case .... \$5.25

### CANNED VEGETABLES

Corn on cob .... 1 gallon tins 55c.  
Beets .... 2 tins for 25c.  
Pumpkin .... 2 tins for 25c.  
B.C. Corn .... 9 tins for \$1  
B.C. Peas .... 9 tins for \$1  
Wax Beans .... 9 tins for \$1  
Catsup .... 9 tins for \$1  
Pork and Beans .... 7 tins for \$1  
Tomatoes, 3's .... per tin 15c.  
Asparagus Tips .... per tin 25c.  
Van Camp's Pork and Beans .... per tin 20c.

### CANNED FRUITS

Strawberries .... 2 tins 45c.  
Raspberries .... 2 tins 45c.  
Cherries .... 2 tins 45c.  
Peaches .... 2 tins 45c.  
Pineapple .... 2 tins 35c.  
Pears, light syrup .... per tin 15c.  
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Lombard Plums .... 2 tins for 25c.

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For Parcels weighing up to three pounds, 24c.  
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This means a material reduction on the cost of parcels, and it is hoped it will be a source of satisfaction to the Canadian public. This reduction has been brought about by Canada foregoing all postal charges for the convenience of these parcels in Canada and on the Atlantic.

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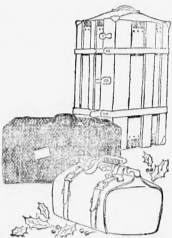
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Dec. 15 .....	1.0 1/2
Dec. 16 .....	1.0 1/2
Dec. 17 .....	1.0 1/2
Dec. 3, Street Price, 88	

## Local and Personal

Eight more days to Christmas

For Christmas trees call at The Empress Lumber Yard.

Mr. D. McKinnon left this week on a visit of a month's duration to Belle Plaine, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bilton, of Josephine, are expecting to leave for Wardsville, Ont. on Saturday.

Has any person a vacant office room which the L.O.B.E. might use for work rooms. The Chapter will be very grateful to any one who can help them out in this matter.

Have you seen and heard the latest style Gerhard Heintzman piano. It is on exhibition and for sale at Dawdy's jewelry store. A Christmas gift that cannot be exceeded.

The Snarrow Lodge No. 612 will hold their annual meeting on Dec. 20, 1915, at 2 p.m. Election of officers for 1916 and other important business will transacted.

The following are the names of councillors, elected in the municipality of Acadia for 1916. Div. 1, Mr. G. Mills; div. 2, Mr. Adams; div. 3, Mr. Hill; div. 4, Mr. W. Jones; div. 5, Mr. Buchanan; div. 6, Mr. Halliham.

Mr. E. W. Phillips, of Badlington, left for Saskatoon, this week. He expects that he may be delayed several days in that city before he can continue on his journey to his parents home at Bond Head, Ont.

An athletic dance is announced to be held in the Vandine Schoolhouse, Friday, January 14. Donating commences at 8.30 p.m.; refreshments will be supplied.

Proceeds donated to Red Cross Fund, Alberta Branch. A hearty welcome to all.

Mr. J. M. Schiltz was a visitor to town over Sunday.

Wanted at once, one or two fresh cows, more inter on. See E. J. Lacy about this.

Mr. F. Nelson met with a severe accident, on Monday. He was thrown out of his rig, when his team bolted, and sustained a broken arm and broken collar bone.

A wrestling match is announced in Prussia, Sask., for Monday Dec. 20th, between George Vladislav, Prussian, and Lightning Parsons, of New Ontario.

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There will be Divine Service, Sunday next, Dec. 13, at Mayfield, usual hour, 2 p.m. Union Church, Sunday, next, Christmas theme, Bright music, 7.30 p.m. All welcome.

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